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3. \square The drawings filed on <u>26 March 1999</u> are accepted by the	Examiner.	
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Cedric M. Richeson on March 5, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 4, line 5, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 13, the word "group" has been changed to the phrase -- group consisting of --.

Claim 7, line 5, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 13, the word "group" has been changed to the phrase -- group consisting of --.

Claim 8, line 5, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 13, the word "group" has been changed to the phrase -- group consisting of --.

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Claim 9, line 5, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 13, the word "group" has been changed to the phrase -- group consisting of --.

Claim 15, line 6, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 14, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 22, line 7, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 15, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 28, line 6, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 14, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 29, line 6, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 13, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 30, lines 1 and 2 has been deleted,

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line 6, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 14, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 31, line 6, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting --, and

Line 14, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 32, line10, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase – selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 35, line 9, the phrase "selected from the group" has been changed to the phrase -- selected from the group consisting of --.

Claim 36, line 1, the phrase "Claim 34" has been changed to the phrase -- Claim 35 --.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to D. S. Nakarani whose telephone number is (571) 272-1512. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paul J. Thibodeau can be reached on (571) 272-1516. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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